

May 28, 1997

Mr. David S. Guzy
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Re: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 62 Fed. Reg. 3742 (January 24, 1997)

Dear Mr. Guzy:

The Independent Petroleum Association of America ("IPAA') has reviewed the comments submitted by the Barents Group, LLC on Wednesday, May 28, 1997. IPAA would like to incorporate by reference these comments into the IPAA comments previously filed on Thursday, May 15, 1997. Thank you.

Sincerely, Durin G. Balle

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President